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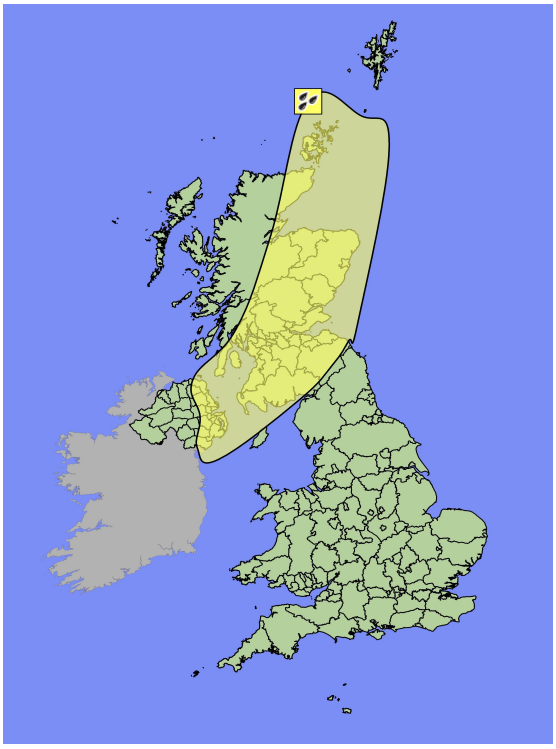

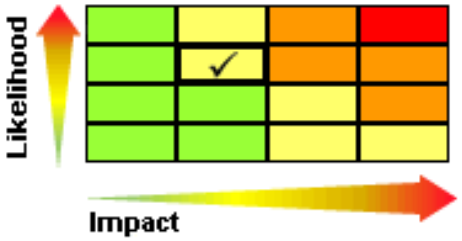

Chief Forecasters Assessment
An active frontal system will move northeastwards across Northern Ireland and Scotland during Friday, bringing a spell of heavy rain to most regions. Rain falling onto recently frozen ground, coupled with snow melt from high ground may lead to local flooding and extensive surface water, more especially across eastern Grampian, Angus and Perth and Kinross. In addition spring tides will accompany the gales and could lead to spray and over-topping of waves on some coasts.

There remain uncertainties concerning the timing of this frontal system. Depending on its timing, surface water could also cause problems, especially if the rain occurs over conurbations during busy periods. Meanwhile, over high ground rain will be preceded by a spell of snow with scope for accumulations of several cms and perhaps blizzard conditions briefly.

Please monitor our website for further updates during the coming days.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Alert** of **Rain**

Valid from **06:00 on Fri, 14th Dec 2012** until **06:00 on Sat, 15th Dec 2012**

A band heavy rain is expected to spread northeastwards across Northern Ireland on Friday morning then across Scotland later in the day, clearing Orkney early on Saturday. The rain is expected to be accompanied by gale force east or southeast winds gusting to over 60 mph on exposed coasts. Some snow is also expected for a time over Scottish mountains.

The public should be aware of the possibility of flooding and disruption to travel.

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  - Stirling
- Grampian
  - Aberdeen
  - Aberdeenshire
  - Moray
- Highlands & Eilean Siar
  - Highland
- Northern Ireland
  - County Antrim
  - County Armagh
  - County Down
- Orkney & Shetland
  - Orkney Islands
- SW Scotland, Lothian Borders
  - Dumfries and Galloway
  - East Lothian
  - Edinburgh
  - Midlothian Council
  - Scottish Borders
  - West Lothian
- Strathclyde
  - Argyll and Bute
  - East Ayrshire
  - East Dunbartonshire
  - East Renfrewshire
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